

In re application of:

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"READY TO EAT FOOD FORMULATION CONTAINING

YOGURT AND PUREED COOKED VEGETABLES AND

PROCESS FOR MANUFACTURE THEREOF*

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Commissioner for Patents Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

PETITION TO MAKE SPECIAL FOR NEW APPLICATION UNDER M.P.E.P. § 708.02 (VIII)

Applicant hereby petitions to make special this new application. The application has not yet been examined by the United States Patent and Trademark Office (the "Office").

Applicant submits that all of the claims in this case are directed to a single invention. As a prerequisite to the grant of special status, if the Office determines that all claims presented are not obviously directed to a single invention, then applicant will make an election, without traverse.

A pre-examination search of the subject matter encompassed by the above-identified application has been made by a professional searcher. The pre-examination search was conducted in the United States Patent and Trademark Office. The field of search covered Class 426, subclasses 34, 43, 52, 583, and 634. Additionally, a computer database search was conducted on the USPTO system EAST and the European Patent Office system ESP@CENET. Examiner Helen Pratt in Class 426 (Art Unit 1761) was consulted in confirming the field of search. The references developed by the pre-examination search were cited in applicant's Information Disclosure Statement dated June 22, 2004. A statement pertaining to the pre-examination search listing the

TION GRANTED

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